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## City of Falls Church City Clerk Accepted Into Master Municipal Clerk Academy Program

FALLS CHURCH, VA – Kathleen Buschow, City Clerk for the City of Falls Church, was accepted into the prestigious Master Municipal Clerk Academy Program through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) on Aug. 31, 2005. Buschow previously achieved the status of Certified Municipal Clerk through IIMC and will now begin working towards her Master Municipal Clerk certification. Only 20 Virginia clerks have achieved the Master Municipal Clerks designation.

Buschow met rigorous continuing education and professional participation and contribution criteria in order to gain acceptance into the program. The Master Municipal Clerk Academy Program is IIMC's post-certification continuing education program for Clerks. In this program, Buschow will have the opportunity to attend seminars and workshops directed towards municipal and deputy Clerks with the Certified Municipal Clerk status. As part of the Master Municipal Clerk Academy Program, Buschow will complete four levels of program study over a minimum four-year period while continuing her professional service as a Municipal Clerk.

IIMC was founded in 1947 and is the leading professional nonprofit association of Municipal Clerks and officials from around the world. IIMC works to promote professionalism in local government through education and sponsors continuing education programs at various annual conferences and 46 university-based Institute programs. The association currently has 10,400 members, mostly from the United States and Canada.

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